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9. (Amended) The method according to claim 8, wherein the gene encoding jasmonic acid carboxyl methyltransferase is the cDNA gene encoding a jasmonic acid carboxyl methyltransferase JMT having an amino acid sequence represented by Sequence ID No. 3.

10. (Amended) The method according to claim 9, wherein the gene encoding jasmonic acid carboxyl methyltransferase is the cDNA gene encoding an amino acid sequence represented by Sequence ID No. 1.

REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request that the foregoing amendments be made prior to examination of the present application. The amendments are made to correct multiple dependencies and do not change the scope of the invention.

Respectfully submitted,

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